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Sent: 1/29/2019 2:41:36 PM
To: Swenson, Peter [swenson.peter@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Polymet 404 permit

Linda,

We provided comment letters in response to the 404 Public Notices in 2005 and 2014. In 2005, EPA requested an EIS, and in 2014, we did not object, but brought up significant concerns to be addressed before permit issuance or in conditions. We have been in communication with the Corps throughout the process. We participated in conference calls with the Corps and provided comments on draft memos. Our discussions have been focused on secondary impacts, mitigation, monitoring, and financial assurances. Before the furlough, I spoke with Ralph Augustine from the Corps. He had planned to provide me with a draft of the 404 Permit, but it was still in internal review. I requested a status update, but haven't received a response yet.

From: Holst, Linda
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2019 7:31 AM
To: Swenson, Peter <swenson.peter@epa.gov>; Burdick, Melanie <Burdick.Melanie@epa.gov>; Melgin, Wendy <melgin.wendy@epa.gov>
Cc: Baltazar, Debbie <baltazar.debbie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Polymet 404 permit

Good morning. Kurt is interested in knowing about our interactions with the Corps on the 404 permit. I know you have been involved in raising wetlands issues as part of the EIS process for years. What interactions have we had with the Corps on the 404 permit? Did we provide written comments including on the public noticed permit? Have we had any recent meetings or conversations with the Corps on the permit? Thanks.

Linda

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On Jan 28, 2019, at 4:42 PM, Swenson, Peter <swenson.peter@epa.gov> wrote:

I have asked Melanie to check with the Corps.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 28, 2019, at 4:21 PM, Holst, Linda <holst.linda@epa.gov> wrote:

What is the status of the Corps' 404 permit?

Linda

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